(d) what other steps are proposed to be taken to modernise Public Sector Enterprises?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d) Modernisation and technology upgradation including adoption of new technology are enterprise specific and, therefore, are cosidered by the management of respective public sector enterprise in consultation with the Administrative Ministries/Departments, from time to time. In the case of sick PSEs such measures are taken up depending on the revival/rehabilitation plan approved by the Board of Industrial and Financial Reconstruction in consultation with the parties concerned. It is premature to judge the impact of disinvestment on modernisation/technological upgradation as the same has been carried out only since 1991-92 and implemented in 32 out of 245 PSEs upto date.

**No-Industry districts in Orissa**

1478. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of 'No Industry Districts' in Orissa;

(b) the steps taken to set up industries in these Districts; and

(c) the projections made for Eight and Ninth plans in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Balasore, Bolangir and Phulbani are the three 'No Industry Districts' in the State of Orissa.

(b) and (c) Industrialisation of specific districts/areas is primarily the responsibility of the State Government/Union Territory concerned. The Central Government supplements their efforts to the extent possible.

**Revamping of District Indusrries Centres**

1479. *SHRI* RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a need to revamp the District Industries Centres in the country;

(b) if so, the steps taken in the matter;

(c) whether Government have a proposal to set up District Industries Centres in all the newly-created districts; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in that direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) As decided by National Development Council (NDC) the scheme of District Industries Centres has been transferred to the States. It is for the State/UT Governments to set-

up DICs in their newly created Districts and to restructure the DICs if considered necessay.

**श्रम साध्य प्रौद्योगिकियों का विकास**

1480. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव :**

क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि केन्द्रीय सरकार श्रम साध्य प्रौद्योगिकियों की उपेक्षा करती आ रही है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) यदि उपर्युक्त भाग (क) का उत्तर "ना" हो, तो बेरोजगारी को यथाशीघ्र रोजगार उपलब्ध कराने के लिये श्रम साध्य प्रौद्योगिकियों को विकसित करने के लिये क्या-क्या प्रयास किये जा रहे हैं?

**उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मन्त्री (श्री एम० अरुणाचलम)** : (क) जहां तक इस विषय का संबंध है, नीति यह है कि देश में रोजगार को बढ़ावा देने के लिए श्रम प्रधान प्रौद्योगिकियों को प्रोत्साहन दिया जाये। भारत सरकार की सामान्य नीति भी यह है कि अर्थव्यवस्था के सभी क्षेत्रों में श्रम प्रधान प्रौद्योगिकियों को बढ़ावा दिया जाये।

(ख) और (ग) उपर्युक्त (क) के उत्तर को देखते हुए प्रश्न नहीं उठते ।

**Production of three-wheelers by Scooters India Limited**

1481. SHRI GHUFRAM AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Scooters India Limited has been performing well to meet the increasing demand for three wheelers;

(b) whether the rate of production during the year has gone down as compared to previous years;

(c) whether Government would direct the company to meet the growing demand of the three wheelers with proper care; and

(d) if so, the facts and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d) The production performance of 3-wheelers of Scooters India Limited (SIL) has improved, as may be seen from the following data:—

| | In physical numbers | |
|---|---|---|
| 1993-94 | | 1992-93 |
| 4254 | | 2704 |
| April, 1994 | 604 Nos (185)* | |
| May, 1994 | 503 Nos (235)* | |
| June, 1994 | 610 Nos (455)* | |

*Figures in brackets represent the production performance of 3-wheelers for the corresponding period of the previous year.